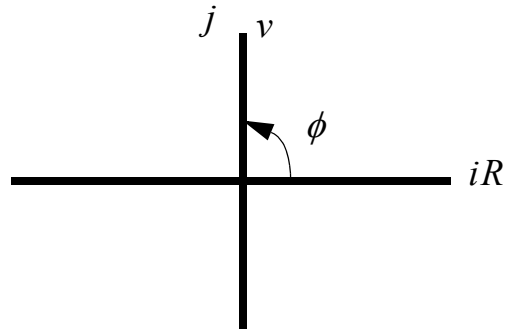


# Signal Phase



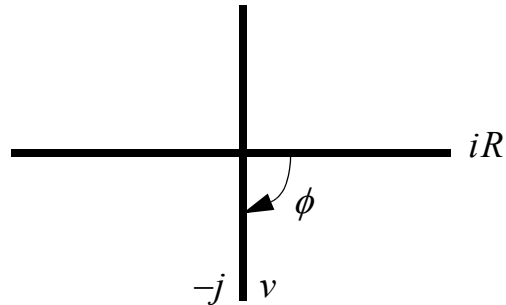
- Voltage (E) through an inductor (L) leads the current (I).

$$v = j\omega Li$$



- Current (I) through a capacitor (C) leads the voltage (E).

$$v = \frac{1}{j\omega C}i$$

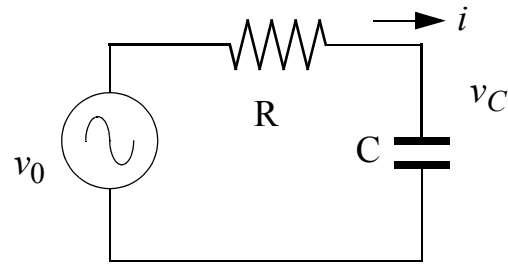


- “ELI the ICE man.”

# RC Filter Phase



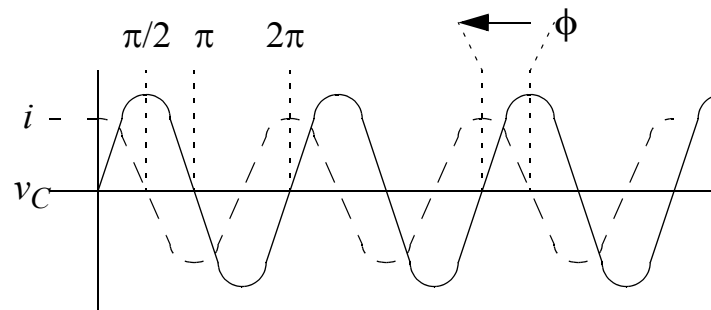
- Example: the low pass filter:



$$v_0 = Ri + \frac{1}{C} \int i dt$$

$$v_C = \frac{1}{C} \int i dt$$

If  $i = \cos(\omega t)$ ,  $v_C = \sin(\omega t) = \cos(\omega t - \pi/2)$



The current is peaking ahead of the voltage - hence current *leads*.

# Complex Phase



- Phase in terms of complex impedance

$$\frac{v_C}{v_0} = \frac{1/j\omega C}{(1/j\omega C) + R} = \frac{1 - j\omega RC}{1 + \omega^2 R^2 C^2}$$

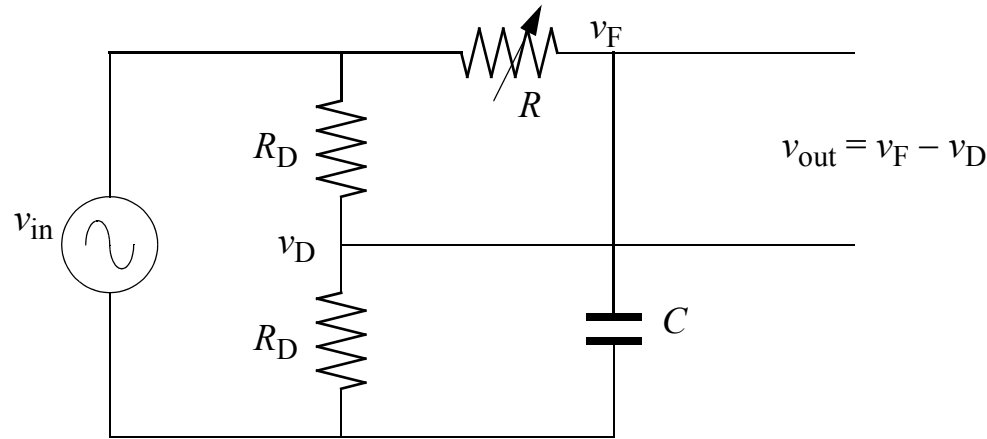
$$B = \frac{1}{1 + \omega^2 R^2 C^2}$$
$$jC = \frac{-j\omega RC}{1 + \omega^2 R^2 C^2}$$
$$\phi = \text{atan} \frac{-\omega RC}{1} = \text{atan}(-\omega RC)$$

- The phase depends on the frequency
  - At high frequency,  $\phi \rightarrow -90$
  - At  $\omega = 1/RC$ ,  $\phi = -45$
  - At low frequency,  $\phi \rightarrow 0$

# Phase Shifting Network



- Divider and filter



- Consider each part separately:

$$v_D = \frac{R_D}{R_D + R_D} v_{in} = \frac{v_{in}}{2}$$

$$v_F = \frac{1/j\omega C}{(1/j\omega C) + R} v_{in} = \frac{v_{in}}{1 + j\omega RC}$$

$$v_{out} = \left( \frac{1}{1 + j\omega RC} - \frac{1}{2} \right) v_{in} = \left( \frac{2 - (1 + j\omega RC)}{2 + 2j\omega RC} \right) v_{in} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1 - j\omega RC}{1 + j\omega RC} \right) v_{in}$$

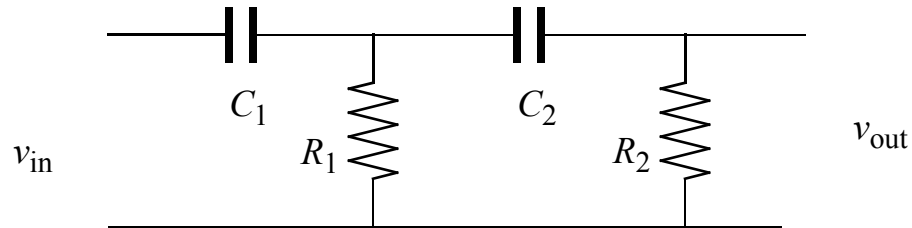
$$v_{out} = \frac{1}{2} e^{-2j\phi} v_{in} \quad \tan \phi = \omega RC$$

- Changing the resistance,  $R$ , changes the phase but not the amplitude.

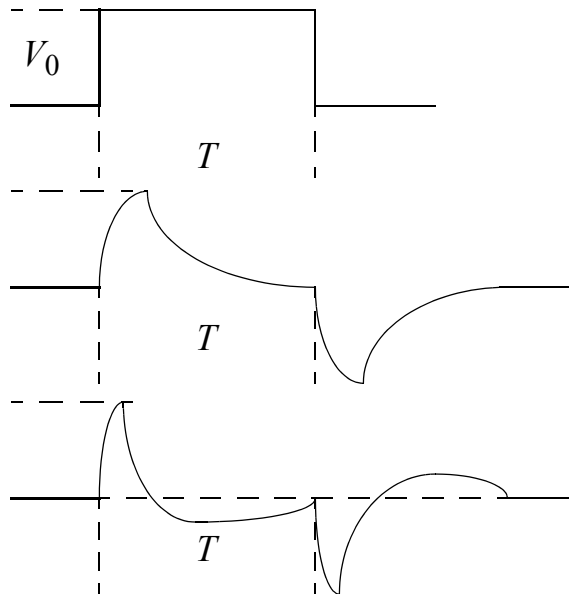
# Double Differentiator



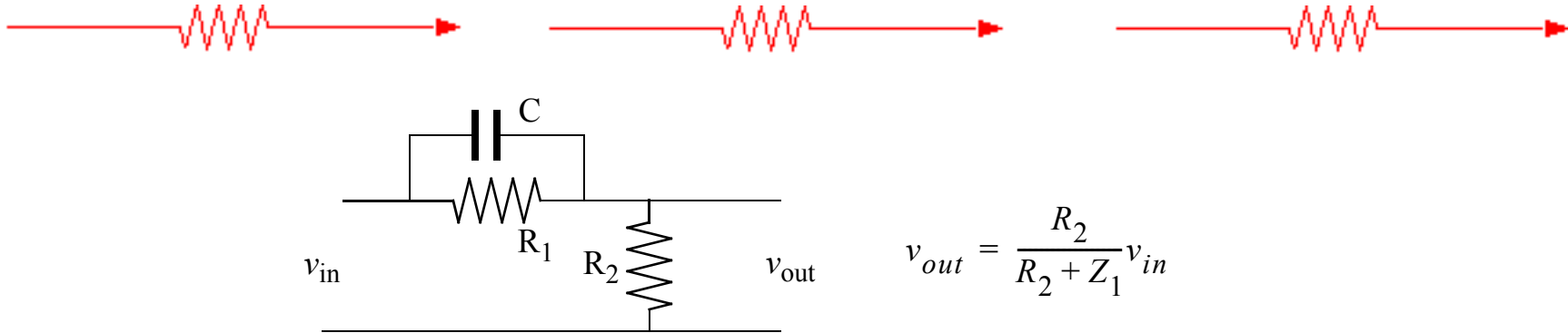
- Two high-pass filters in series



- The solution for  $t \ll R_i C_i$  is the combination:  $v_{out} = R_2 C_2 \frac{d\left(R_1 C_1 \frac{dv_{in}}{dt}\right)}{dt} = R_1 C_1 R_2 C_2 \left(\frac{d^2 v_{in}}{dt^2}\right)$
- Pulse is differentiated twice



# Speed-up Capacitor



- A resistor divider with  $R_1$  replaced with  $Z_1$  which includes a capacitor.

$$Z_1 = \frac{R/j\omega C}{R + 1/j\omega C} = \frac{R}{j\omega RC + 1}$$

- Consider that a capacitor looks like an open connection for low  $f$  and a short circuit at high  $f$ .
- The expectation is that at high  $f$ , the divider has  $Z_1 = 0$ .

$$v_{out} = \frac{R_2}{R_2 + R_1/(j\omega R_1 C + 1)} v_{in} = \frac{j\omega R_1 R_2 C + R_2}{j\omega R_1 R_2 C + R_2 + R_1} v_{in}$$

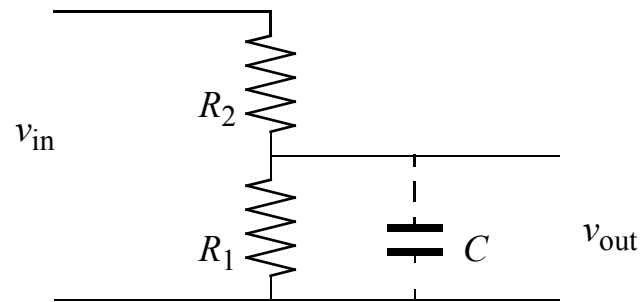
$$A = \sqrt{\frac{(\omega R_1 R_2 C)^2 + (R_2)^2}{(\omega R_1 R_2 C)^2 + (R_2 + R_1)^2}}$$

- For  $\omega \ll 1/R_1 C$ ,  $A = R_2/(R_1 + R_2)$ ;  $\omega \gg 1/R_1 C$ ,  $A = 1$ .
- High frequencies are enhanced, so a pulse edge becomes sharper.

# High Frequency Effects



- Actual resistive voltage dividers have some small capacitance between wires.

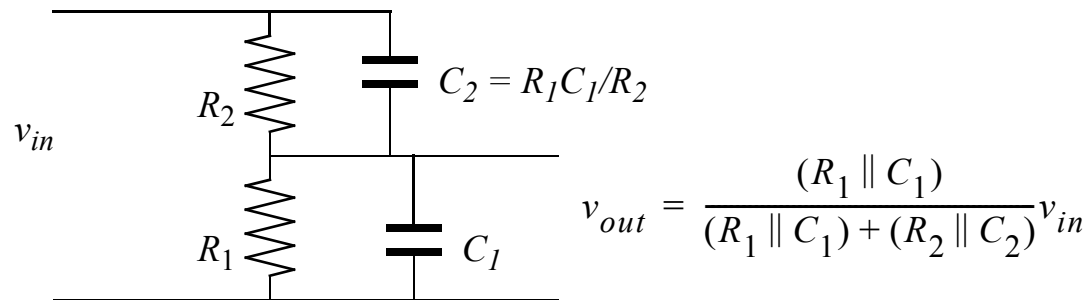


- This acts as a low-pass filter and attenuates high frequencies.

# Compensated Voltage Divider



- Precisely selected capacitors can compensate for this effect.



$$v_{out} = \frac{\frac{R_1/j\omega C_1}{R_1 + 1/j\omega C_1}}{\frac{R_1/j\omega C_1}{R_1 + 1/j\omega C_1} + \frac{R_2/j\omega C_2}{R_2 + 1/j\omega C_2}} v_{in} = \frac{R_1}{R_1 + R_2} v_{in}$$